UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

THOMAS WILLIAM SINCLAIR RICHEY,

Petitioner,

vs.

STEVEN SINCLAIR,

Respondent.

NO. CV-08-5089-CI

ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION AND TRANSFERRING PETITION TO WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

Magistrate Judge Imbrogno filed a Report and Recommendation on February 10, 2009, recommending Ritchey's habeas corpus petition be transferred to the Western District of Washington. Objections were due February 26, 2009. There being no objections, the court ADOPTS the Report and Recommendation. The court notes no determination has been made regarding Petitioner's application to proceed in forma pauperis.

Therefore, IT IS ORDERED this action is TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington.

IT IS SO ORDERED. The District Court Executive is directed to enter this Order, and forward a copy to Petitioner. The District Court Executive is further directed to forward this file with a copy

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of this Order to the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington and close the file in this district. **DATED** this 16th day of MARCH 2009.

S/ Robert H. Whaley

Robert H. Whaley Chief United States District Judge Q:\CIVIL\2008\Ritchey.transfer.ord.wpd

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